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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH GOS UN PERM REP

- 1. ON MARCH 10, 1976, GOS UN PERM REP NORMAN MALINGA, WHO HAS BEEN IN SWAZILAND FOR PAST THREE WEEKS ON LEAVE AND CONSULTATIONS, CALLED ON CHARGE. MALINGA SAID HE WAS RETURNING TO NEW YORK ON MARCH 14 TO BE PRESENT FOR SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE ON SOUTHERN AFRICA.
- 2. DURING CONVERSATION, MALINGA ASKED ABOUT U.S. ATTUTUDE TOWARDS CUBAN INITIATIVE ON PUERTO RICAN ISSUE. CHARGE RESPONDED WITH ARGUMENTS PARA 6, STATE 49329 AND ADDED THAT WE ALSO CONSIDER KOREAN AND ISRAEL ISSUES OF VITAL IMPORTANCE. MALINGA COMMENTED THAT GOS WAS OFTEN ATTACKED AT THE UN BY OTHER OAU MEMBERS AND RADICAL STATES FOR VOTING WITH THE U.S. ON ISSUES SUCH AS KOREA AND ZIONISM/RACISM. OPPONENTS WOULD FREQUENTLY ASK WHY SWAZILAND FELT COMPELLED TO VOTE WITH U.S. WHEN THERE WAS NO MAJOR U.S. INVESTMENT IN SWAZILAND AND NO U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN MAJOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS SUCH AS THIRD SUGAR AREA. MALINGA SAID HE RESPONDED TO SUCH CRITICS THAT

SWAZILAND WAS VOTING ITS CONVICTIONS; GOS BELIEVED IN PEACEFUL CONFIDENTIAL

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SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES BY NEGOTIATIONS INCLUDING ALL INTERESTED

PARTIES AND WAS OPPOSED TO ARBITRARY EXPLUSION OF COUNTRIES FROM INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. HE URGED, AGAIN, AS HE DID IN CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN (USUN 6844), THAT USG MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ENCOURAGE INCREASED AMERICAN INVESTMENT IN SWAZILAND. HE DID NOT MENTION UBLS.

3. IN REPLY, CHARGE REMINDED MALINGA OF VARIOUS AID AND PEACE CORPS PROJECTS NOW GOING ON IN SWAZILAND AND OTHERS THAT WERE BEING PLANNED, AND ADDED THAT WE WERE MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO ENCOURAGE U.S. INVESTMENT AND WOULD CONTINUE TO DO SO.

4. IN CLOSING, MALINGA SAID GOS WELCOMED THE SECRETARY'S PROPOSED VISITTO SOUTHERN AFRICA AND HOPED THAT INCREASED FOCUS BY USG ON THIS AREA WOULD REDUCE CHANCES OF WAR WHICH INTER ALIA COULD DESTROY SWAZILAND AND ITS ECONOMY.

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